

EDINA
VETERANS
MEMORIAL

Maybe you know someone
who is serving our country





















Or someone who served



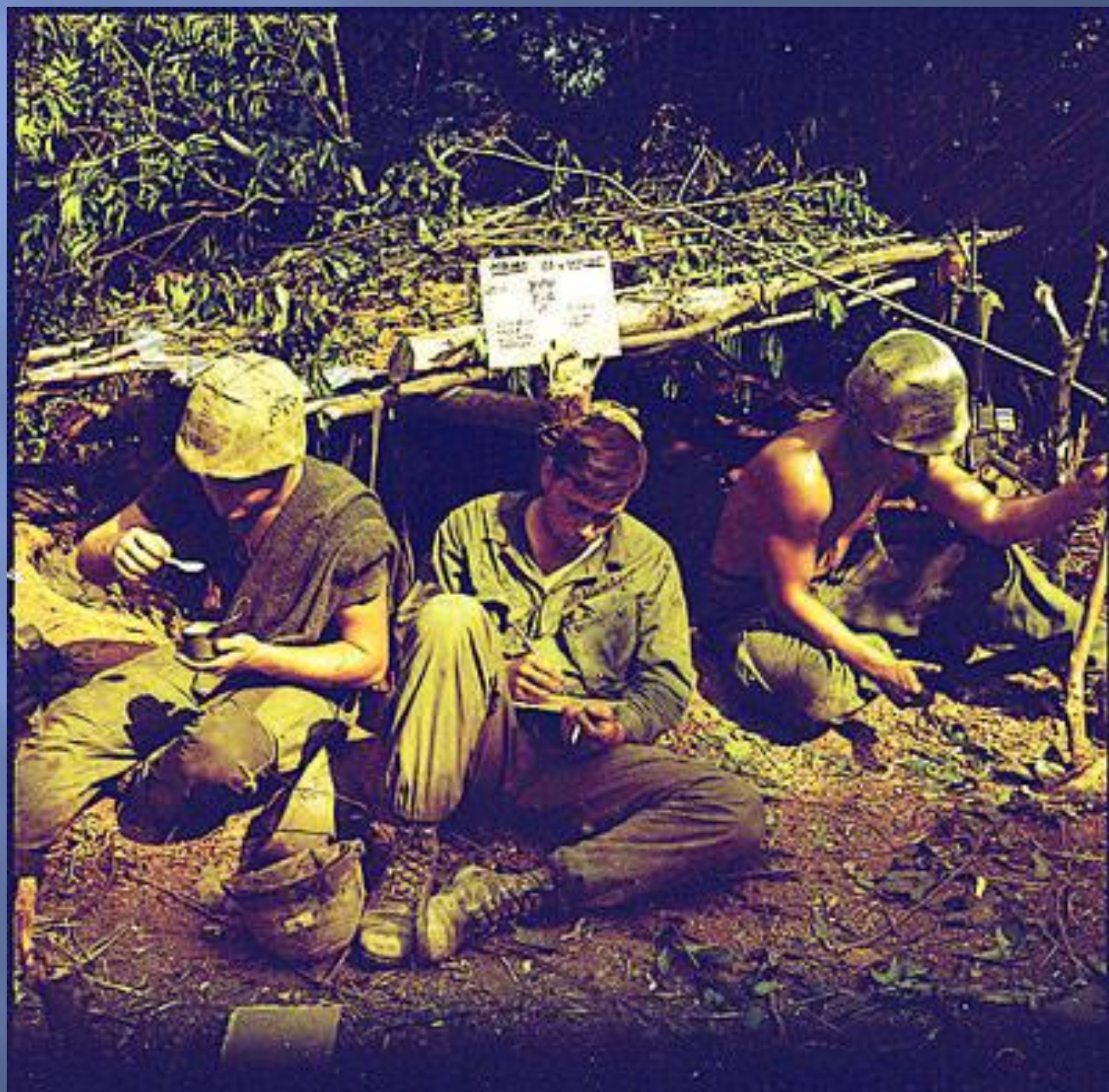












Maybe you've heard their stories









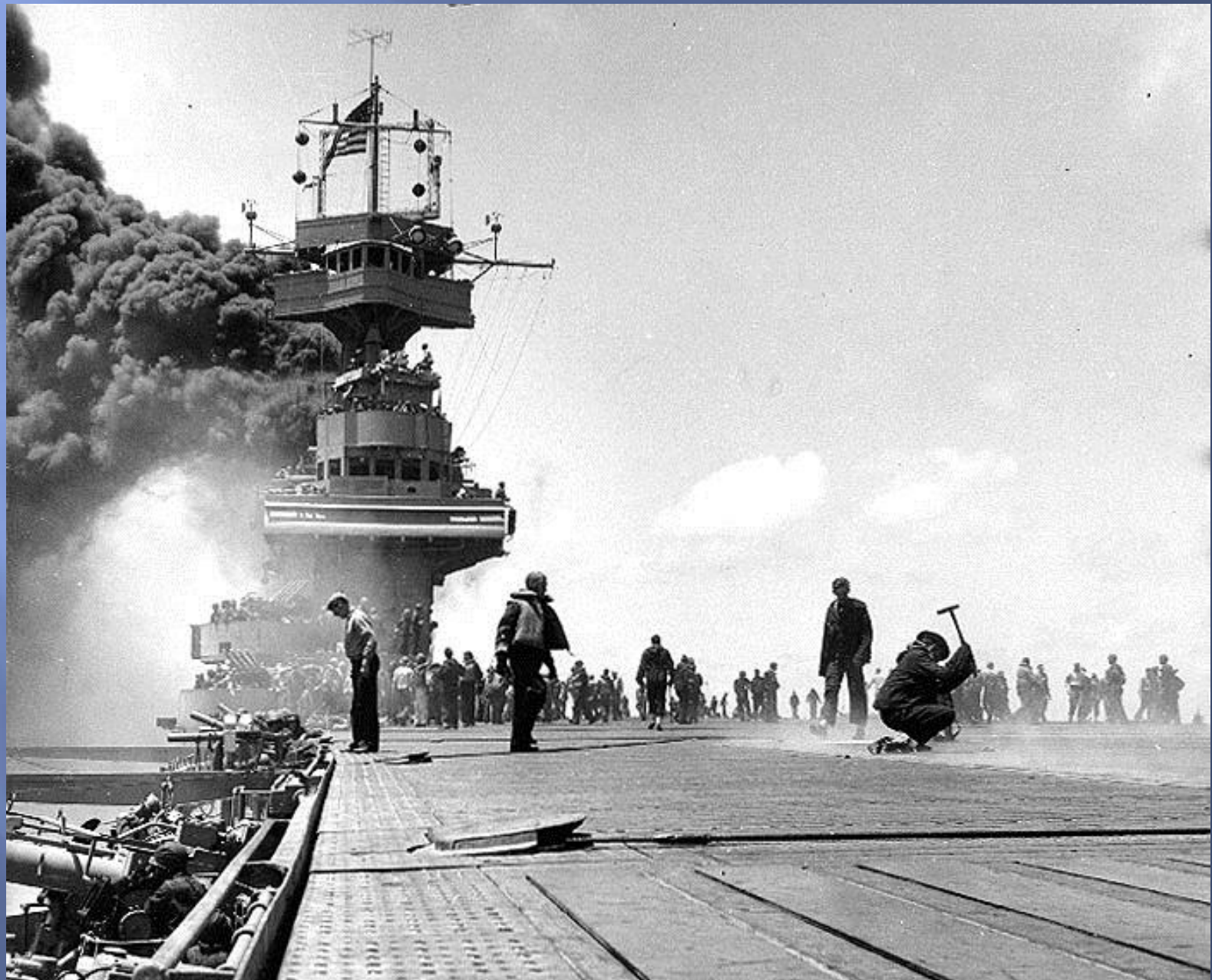






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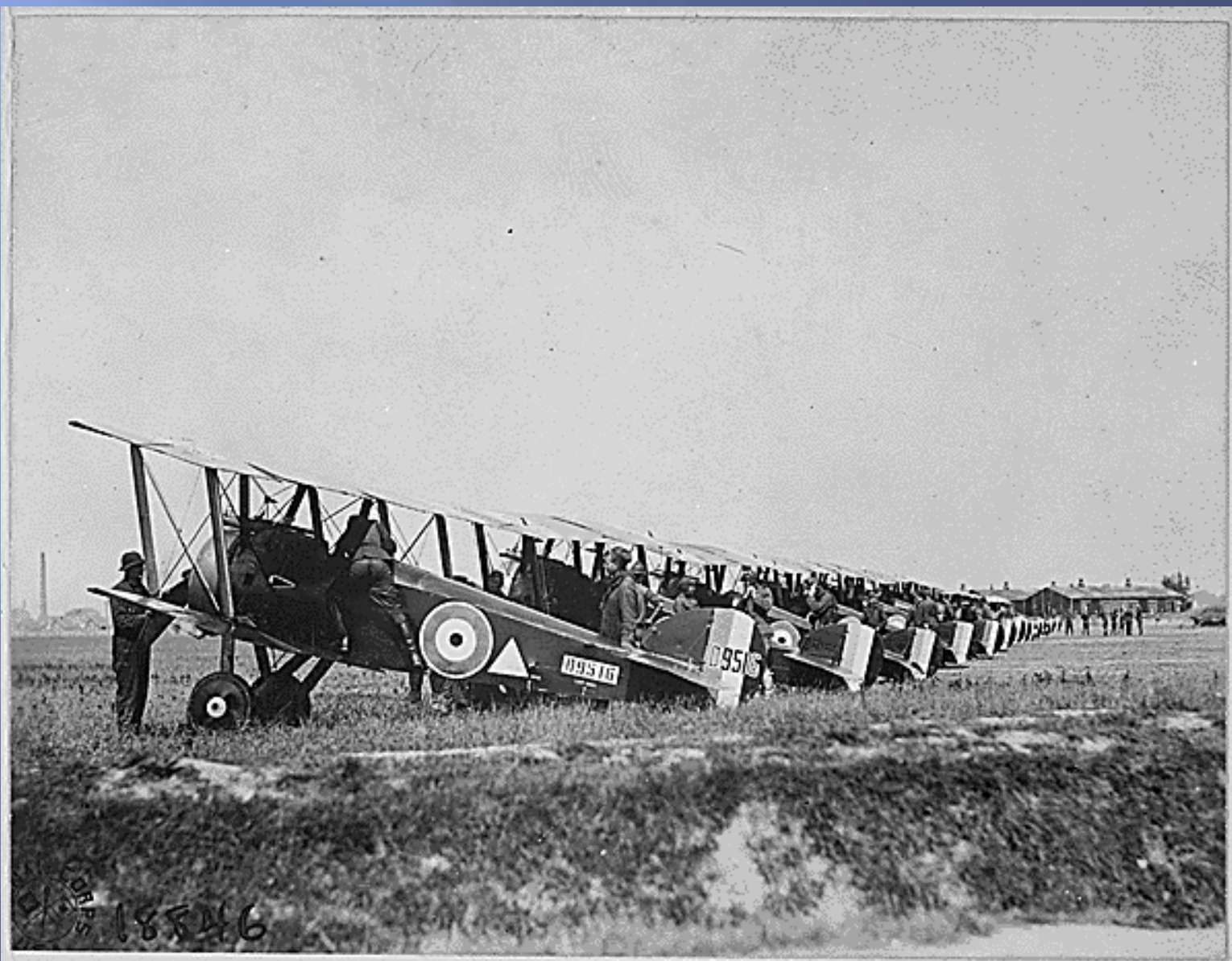




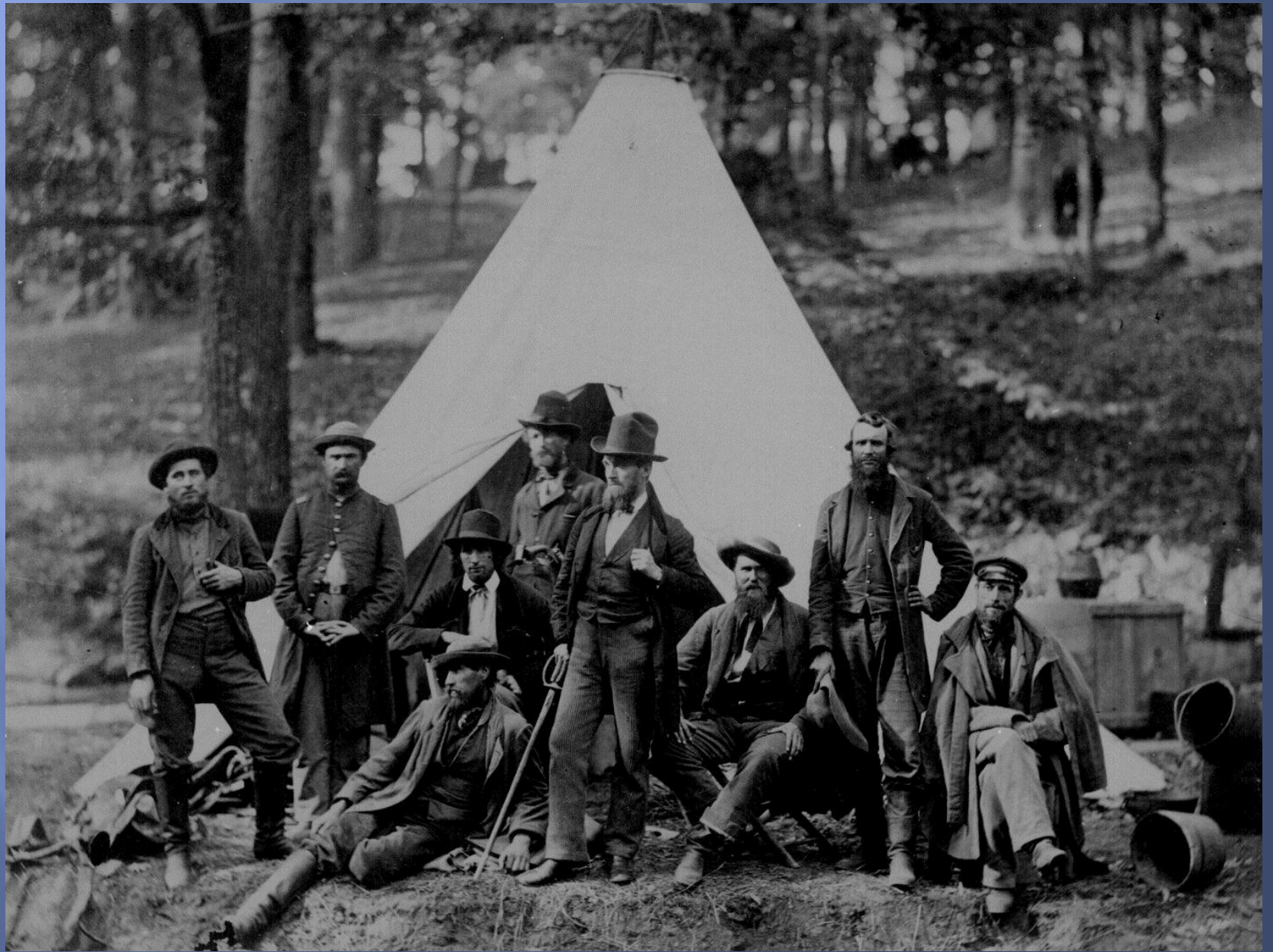
Or their service is part of your legacy













Maybe they came home





















Maybe they didn't.























We come,
not to mourn
our dead soldiers,
but to praise them.

~Francis A. Walker

Edina's Veterans' Memorial will inspire
current and future generations to
remember and appreciate the
commitment and patriotic service of
Edina's veterans

For many, the memorial will be an
emotional destination

For others it will be a source of
intellectual discovery

For some, it will be a symbol of
bestowed civic pride

For all, it will be a visual reminder
that the cost of freedom is paid
by the sacrifices of our veterans

Edina's Veterans Memorial

- The purpose is to honor Edina veterans and not to celebrate battles, wars or conflicts
- The 32 native or adopted sons who died in time of war will be individually remembered
- An estimated 5,000 current residents are veterans
- Countless more are and will be spouses, survivors, children, or parents of veterans
- Edina's rich and proud legacy of patriotic service extends back to the Civil War
- Edina's Veterans Memorial will be a unifying symbol of shared community values and aspirations

Edina's Veterans Memorial



Cross section view of the Memorial



Memorial
walkway

Granite
plaza

Flag poles
atop
granite plinth
w/lighting

Eagle & wreath
atop granite wall
w/ 5 service medallions,
engraved quotations
and names

Rain gardens
along trail

The Design



- Double star pattern in the 1,200 SF Granite plaza
- The plaza is in the shape of a “V” for victory
- The plaza is accessible from new walkway and existing trail
- Steel and wood benches
- Access walk and stairway up to memorial plaza
- Rain gardens for storm water management

The Design



- Three illuminated flag poles on granite plinth
- Ornamental grass and flowering order plantings

Donor Recognition



- Black granite sentinels with donor recognition set along memorial plaza entrance

The Focal Point



- Granite memorial wall w/eagle, names of Edina residents who died in service of their country and 5 service emblems
- Bouquet shelf allowing visitors to place flowers along the base of the granite memorial wall
- Stadium-seat step for viewing creekscape

The Eagle and Wreath

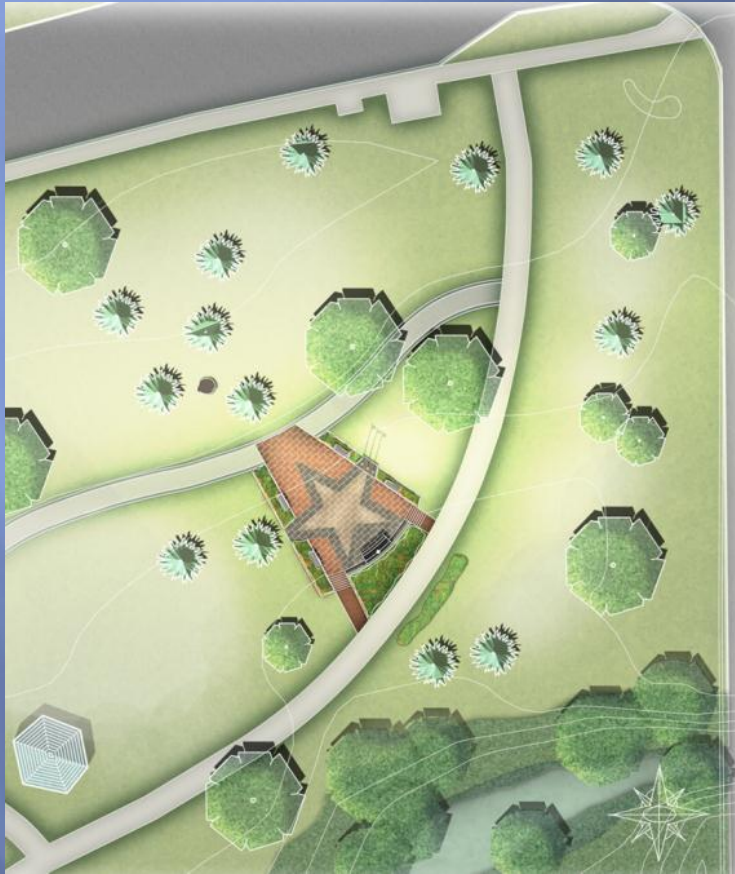


- The Eagle and Wreath were chosen to honor those who died in service of their country.
- The Eagle is shown delivering a wreath of peace and not depicted as a symbol of aggression
- The sculptor, Robert Eccleston, is a nationally recognized artist

The Location



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- A tree-shaded plot at the intersection of 50th Street and Wooddale Avenue.
- Visible reminder of this distinguished part of Edina's proud heritage
- Peaceful, creek-side site for quiet reflection

The Memorial is a gift
from Edina's citizens
to all veterans

It is being built
with private donations

Thank you for taking time to learn
about this exciting project!